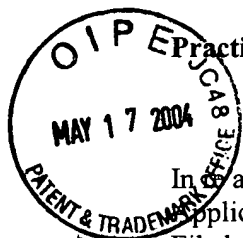


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Practitioner's Docket No. DEE6270P0180US

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In application of: Arthur et al  
Application No.: 09/945,540  
Filed: August 29, 2001  
For: Composite Floor For Utility Vehicle

Group No.: 3612  
Examiner: Dennis Pedder

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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)  
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

Prior to abandonment of the application and prior to payment of issue fee.

ENCLOSURES

3. Please enter Amendment D After Final filed on March 17, 2004.

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of other than small entity.

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: \$770.00

CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

I hereby certify that, on the date shown below, this correspondence is being:

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### FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. §1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

	(Col.1)	(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)	OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY						
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT	HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA					RATE	ADDIT. FEE	
TOTAL	33	—	33	=	0	x	\$		= \$	0.00
INDEP.	2	—	3	=	0	x	\$		= \$	0.00
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM						+	\$		= \$	0.00
TOTAL ADDIT. FEE									\$	0.00

No additional fee for claims is required.

### EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) apply.

Applicant petitions for an extension of time, the fees for which are set out in 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1)-(4), for the first and second month is:

Fee: \$420.00

### TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e))	\$770.00
Extension of time fee (Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4))	\$420.00
Total Fee(s) Due:	\$1,190.00

### PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

Check is attached for the sum of \$1,190.00.

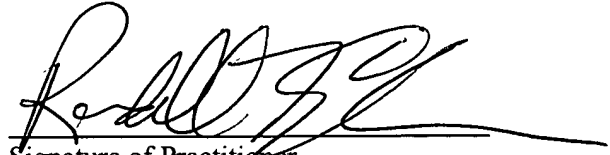
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### INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

Date: May 17, 2004

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